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Biographical Sketch

Luther T. Clark, MD, FACC, is the U.S. Regional Director for Scientific Affairs for Atherosclerosis in the Division of External Medical and Scientific Affairs at Merck & Co. and the Acting Global Director for Scientific Affairs. Prior to his current position, which he assumed in April 2007, Dr. Clark was Chief of the Division of Cardiovascular Medicine and Professor of Clinical Medicine at the State University of New York Downstate Medical Center and Kings County Hospital Center (Brooklyn, NY).

Dr. Clark earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Harvard College (Cambridge, MA) with honors, and his medical degree from Harvard Medical School (Boston, MA). He completed his postgraduate training, including internal medicine residency, chief residency and cardiology fellowship at the Roosevelt Hospital (now known as the St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital Center) in New York City.

Dr. Clark is a member of a number of professional associations and organizations. He is a fellow of the American College of Cardiology and the American College of Physicians, a past member of the Board of Directors of the Heritage Affiliate of the American Heart Association, a past member a member of the New York State Cardiac Advisory Committee, a member of the Council of the New York State Chapter of the American College of Cardiology, a member of the National Medical Association and a member of the Association of Black Cardiologists. Dr. Clark has also served on a number of National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI) committees, including CARDIA (Coronary Artery Risk Development in Young Adults) Review Board and the National Cholesterol Education Program (NCEP). He was a member of all of the NCEP's Expert Panels on the Detection, Evaluation, and Treatment of High Blood Cholesterol in Adults (ATP I, ATP II, ATP III, and 2004 Update).

Dr. Clark's clinical and research interests are in the areas of lipid disorders, diabetic and hypertensive cardiovascular disease, the clinical epidemiology of coronary heart disease in high risk populations, and health disparities. Prior to joining Merck, he was Director and Principal Investigator of the NIH supported Brooklyn Health Disparities Research Center. He has authored more than 100 publications and recently edited a textbook, *Cardiovascular Disease and Diabetes* (McGraw-Hill 2007).